

RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL OF HEMSWORTH

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MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

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COUNCILLORS FOR THE RURAL DISTRICT OF HEMSWORTH.  
1951/52.

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RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL OF HEMSWORTH

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HEMSWORTH.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present for your information and consideration a report on the health and health services of your district during the year 1952.

As in previous years the Annual Report of the Senior Sanitary Inspector is included and is complementary to this Report.

I have included certain details of the personal health services administered by me as Divisional Medical Officer for the West Riding County Council so that you may have a comprehensive report of the work done during the year.

There was a further increase in the number of inhabited houses and at the year's end the total was 12,922.

The estimate of population given by the Registrar-General was 48,660 and the natural increase in population of live births over total deaths was 420. There has been a reduction in the number of births for the year compared with the previous year. This has been the general experience throughout the country.

There were 24 still-births as compared with 21 in 1951. The number of infant deaths rose from 36 in 1951 to 38 in 1952 in spite of the increased number of home visits to infants.

I regret that there was one maternal death during the year.

I am happy to report that there were no serious outbreaks of infectious disease. One case of diphtheria occurred and I have commented on this at the end of Table V. The number of children protected by immunisation is still too low in spite of the efforts made to stimulate interest in protection against diphtheria.

The demand for and the service given by Home Helps again increased. The number of cases dealt with rose to 173 with a total of 20,908 hours compared with 151 cases and 19,889 hours in 1951.

After-care under Section 28 of the National Health Service Act operated satisfactorily. There has been close co-operation between the Hospital Services as represented by Hospital Almoners and the Local Authority Services of Health Visiting and Home Nursing, the Divisional Office being the "Exchange" through which information has been passed.

I have to acknowledge gratefully the interest and support of the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee in the work of the Department.

All Officials of other Departments have invariably been co-operative and helpful and I take this opportunity to express my thanks to them and all members of the Health Department for their work during the year.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

*J. S. Walters*

M.B. Ch.B., D.P.H.

Medical Officer of Health.



PART ONE.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS

|                                        |     |               |
|----------------------------------------|-----|---------------|
| Area of the District:                  | ... | 29,055 acres. |
| Population (estimated Mid.1952).       | ... | 48,660        |
| No. of Inhabited Houses (at 31.12.52). | ... | 12,922        |
| Rateable Value (at 31.12.52).          | ... | £200,858      |
| Product of penny rate (at 31.12.52).   | ... | £749          |

VITAL STATISTICS

| <u>BIRTHS</u> |              | <u>Male</u> | <u>Female</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| Live:         | Legitimate   | 420         | 437           | 857          |
|               | illegitimate | <u>19</u>   | <u>18</u>     | <u>37</u>    |
|               |              | 439         | 455           | 894          |
| Still:        | Legitimate   | 11          | 12            | 23           |
|               | illegitimate | <u>-</u>    | <u>1</u>      | <u>1</u>     |
|               | Total Births | 450         | 468           | 918          |

Crude Rates

|                                   |                                    |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Live Births                       | 18.4 per 1000 estimated population |
| Still Births                      | 26.1 per 1000 total births         |
| Percentage of illegitimate Births | 4.1                                |

| <u>DEATHS</u>         | <u>Male</u> | <u>Female</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| All age groups        | 252         | 173           | 425          |
| Infants under 1 year  | 22          | 16            | 38           |
| Infants under 4 weeks | 11          | 9             | 20           |
| Maternal death        | -           | 1             | 1            |

Crude Rates

|                       |                                    |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
| All age groups        | 8.7 per 1000 estimated population. |
| Infants under 1 year  | 42.5 per 1000 related live births. |
| Infants under 4 weeks | 22.4 per 1000 related live births. |

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COMPARATIVE STATISTICS.

|                             |                 | <u>1952</u> | <u>1951</u> | <u>1950</u> | <u>1949</u> |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <u>BIRTH RATE</u>           | Rural District  | 19.5        | 20.1        | 20.9        | -           |
|                             | West Riding     | 15.7        | 15.8        | 16.3        | 17.2        |
|                             | England & Wales | 15.3        | 15.5        | 15.8        | 16.7        |
| Still Birth<br>Rate.        | Rural District  | 26.1        | 22.4        | 22.3        | 27.8        |
|                             | West Riding     | 24.6        | 26.0        | 24.0        | 24.0        |
|                             | England & Wales | 22.6        | 23.0        | -           | -           |
| illegitimate Births         | Rural District  | 4.1         | 2.9         | 3.5         | 5.2         |
| <u>DEATH RATE</u>           | Rural District  | 11.4        | 13.4        | 12.2        | 13.4        |
|                             | West Riding     | 12.0        | 12.7        | 11.8        | 12.1        |
|                             | England & Wales | 11.3        | 12.5        | 11.6        | 11.7        |
| Infant<br>Mortality<br>Rate | Rural District  | 42.5        | 39.3        | 36.7        | 43.3        |
|                             | West Riding     | 30.0.       | 31.8        | 35.0        | 38.0        |
|                             | England & Wales | 27.6        | 29.6        | 29.8        | 32.0        |

It will be noted that the Birth and Death rates for the Rural District given above differ from those on page 3. To enable an accurate comparison to be made between the rates for the Rural District and other areas it is necessary to adjust the crude rate to take into account the varying age and sex distribution of the population of the areas concerned and this is done by the employment of an "area comparability factor" supplied by the Registrar General.



The principal causes of death are set out in the following table:

TABLE 1.

| Disease                                | Male       | Female     | Total      |
|----------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Tuberculosis, respiratory              | 5          | 3          | 8          |
| Tuberculosis, other                    | 2          | 1          | 3          |
| Syphilitic disease                     | 1          | -          | 1          |
| Other infective and parasitic disease  | 1          | -          | 1          |
| Malignant neoplasm, stomach            | 9          | 7          | 16         |
| Malignant neoplasm, lung bronchus      | 9          | 1          | 10         |
| Malignant neoplasm, breast             | -          | 4          | 4          |
| Malignant neoplasm, uterus             | -          | 6          | 6          |
| Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasm | 23         | 13         | 36         |
| Leukaemia                              | 2          | 1          | 3          |
| Diabetes                               | -          | 4          | 4          |
| Vascular lesion of nervous system      | 34         | 22         | 56         |
| Coronary disease, angina               | 31         | 13         | 44         |
| Hypertension with heart disease        | 2          | 2          | 4          |
| Other heart disease                    | 34         | 33         | 67         |
| Other circulatory disease              | 4          | 8          | 12         |
| Influenza                              | 3          | 2          | 5          |
| Pneumonia                              | 16         | 7          | 23         |
| Bronchitis                             | 25         | 8          | 33         |
| Other diseases of respiratory system   | 2          | 1          | 3          |
| Ulcer of stomach and duodenum          | 3          | 1          | 4          |
| Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea     | -          | 3          | 3          |
| Nephritis and nephrosis                | 8          | 2          | 10         |
| Hyperplasia of prostate                | 2          | -          | 2          |
| Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion        | -          | 1          | 1          |
| Congenital malformation                | 2          | 3          | 5          |
| Other defined and ill defined diseases | 23         | 20         | 43         |
| Motor vehicle accidents                | 4          | 2          | 6          |
| All other accidents                    | 6          | 4          | 10         |
| Suicide                                | 1          | 1          | 2          |
| <b>Totals:</b>                         | <b>252</b> | <b>173</b> | <b>425</b> |

The number of deaths during the year has fallen from 497 in 1951. illnesses mainly associated with old age account for more than 300 of the deaths.

# INFANT MORTALITY

The following table gives the causes of death of all infants under the age of 1 year classified into age groups:

TABLE II.

| Cause of death.         | Age Groups.    |             |             |             |             |             |             |              | Totals. |    |       |
|-------------------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|---------|----|-------|
|                         | Under<br>1 wk. | 1-2<br>wks. | 2-3<br>wks. | 3-4<br>wks. | 1-3<br>mth. | 3-6<br>mth. | 6-9<br>mth. | 9-12<br>mth. | M       | F  | Total |
| Pneumonia               | 2              | 2           | 1           | -           | 4           | 3           | -           | 1            | 10      | 3  | 13    |
| Bronchitis              | -              | -           | -           | -           | -           | -           | -           | 1            | 1       | -  | 1     |
| Atelectasis             | 2              | -           | -           | -           | -           | -           | -           | -            | 2       | -  | 2     |
| Meningitis              | -              | -           | -           | -           | -           | -           | 2           | 1            | 1       | 2  | 3     |
| Encephalitis            | -              | -           | -           | -           | 1           | -           | -           | -            | -       | 1  | 1     |
| Heart disease           | -              | -           | -           | -           | 1           | -           | 1           | -            | 2       | -  | 2     |
| Congenital Malformation | 3              | 1           | -           | -           | 1           | -           | -           | -            | 2       | 3  | 5     |
| Gastro-enteritis        | -              | -           | -           | -           | 1           | -           | 1           | -            | -       | 2  | 2     |
| Prematurity             | 8              | 1           | -           | -           | -           | -           | -           | -            | 4       | 5  | 9     |
| Totals:                 | 15             | 4           | 1           | -           | 8           | 3           | 4           | 3            | 22      | 16 | 38    |

There were 38 infant deaths in 1952 - two more than in 1951. Half of these occurred during the first two weeks of life and of these prematurity was responsible for 9 deaths.

| Parish.                     | Population<br>est. mid<br>1951. | Live Births |     | Birth<br>Rate. | Deaths |     | Death<br>Rate. | Deaths<br>under<br>1 yr. | Infant<br>Mortality<br>Rate. |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|-----|----------------|--------|-----|----------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
|                             |                                 | M.          | F.  |                | M.     | F.  |                |                          |                              |
| Ackworth                    | 4375                            | 33          | 36  | 22.6           | 27     | 16  | 9.8            | 3                        | 43.5                         |
| Badsworth                   | 160                             | -           | 4   | 25.0           | 1      | 3   | 25.0           | -                        | -                            |
| Billingley                  | 120                             | -           | 1   | 8.3            | -      | 1   | 8.3            | -                        | -                            |
| Brierley                    | 7155                            | 80          | 57  | 19.1           | 30     | 26  | 7.8            | 5                        | 36.4                         |
| Great Houghton              | 2292                            | 14          | 25  | 17.0           | 11     | 11  | 9.6            | 1                        | 25.6                         |
| Havercroft                  | 1962                            | 15          | 18  | 16.8           | 9      | 4   | 6.6            | 2                        | 60.6                         |
| Hessle & Hill Top.          | 135                             | -           | -   | -              | -      | -   | -              | -                        | -                            |
| Huntwick, etc.              | 337                             | 3           | 4   | 20.8           | 5      | 1   | 17.8           | -                        | -                            |
| Kirk Smeaton.               | 208                             | 3           | 1   | 19.2           | 1      | 3   | 19.2           | 1                        | 250.0                        |
| Little Houghton.            | 668                             | 3           | 6   | 13.5           | 5      | 5   | 14.8           | 1                        | 111.1                        |
| Little Smeaton.             | 287                             | 1           | 5   | 20.9           | -      | -   | -              | -                        | -                            |
| Ryhill.                     | 2655                            | 25          | 28  | 19.9           | 14     | 12  | 9.8            | 3                        | 56.6                         |
| Shafton.                    | 1866                            | 15          | 14  | 16.1           | 8      | 5   | 6.9            | -                        | -                            |
| South Elmsall.              | 7424                            | 61          | 80  | 18.9           | 42     | 25  | 9.0            | 9                        | 63.8                         |
| South Hiendley.             | 1527                            | 17          | 13  | 19.0           | 6      | 8   | 9.2            | 1                        | 33.3                         |
| South Kirkby.               | 11550                           | 119         | 115 | 20.3           | 68     | 40  | 9.3            | 10                       | 42.7                         |
| Thorpe Audlin.              | 311                             | -           | 2   | 6.4            | -      | 2   | 6.4            | -                        | -                            |
| Upton and North<br>Elmsall. | 5490                            | 50          | 46  | 17.5           | 24     | 11  | 6.4            | 2                        | 20.8                         |
| Walden Stubbs.              | 120                             | -           | -   | -              | 1      | -   | 8.3            | -                        | -                            |
| West Hardwick.              | 18                              | -           | -   | -              | -      | -   | -              | -                        | -                            |
| Total<br>District           | 48660                           | 439         | 455 | 18.4           | 252    | 173 | 8.7            | 38                       | 42.5                         |
|                             |                                 | 894         |     |                | 425    |     |                |                          |                              |

There has been a slight fall in both the birth rate and the death rate with unfortunately a slight increase in the infant mortality rate. The variation in the rates for the different parishes is not statistically significant.

PART TWO.

INFECTIOUS AND OTHER NOTIFIABLE DISEASES.

The following tables give details of the incidence of notifiable diseases:-

TABLE III.

DISEASES NOTIFIED IN TOWNSHIPS

| Parish.         | Scarlet Fever | Whooping Cough | Diphtheria | Measles | Pneumonia | Meningococcal Infection | Acute Anterior Poliomyelitis<br>(Paralytic) | Ophthalmia Neonatorum | Puerperal Pyrexia | Erysipelas | Food Poisoning | Pulmonary Tuberculosis | Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis | Totals: |
|-----------------|---------------|----------------|------------|---------|-----------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|------------|----------------|------------------------|----------------------------|---------|
| Ackworth        | 1             | 13             | -          | 5       | 1         | -                       | -                                           | -                     | 1                 | -          | 2              | 4                      | -                          | 27      |
| Badsworth       | -             | -              | -          | 1       | -         | -                       | -                                           | -                     | -                 | -          | -              | 1                      | -                          | 2       |
| Brierley        | -             | -              | -          | 10      | 4         | -                       | -                                           | -                     | -                 | -          | -              | 2                      | -                          | 17      |
| Great Houghton  | 2             | 22             | -          | 6       | -         | -                       | 2                                           | -                     | -                 | 1          | -              | 1                      | -                          | 34      |
| Grimethorpe     | 8             | 6              | -          | 11      | 1         | -                       | -                                           | -                     | -                 | -          | -              | 11                     | 1                          | 38      |
| Havercroft      | -             | 2              | -          | 10      | 1         | -                       | -                                           | -                     | -                 | -          | -              | -                      | -                          | 13      |
| Huntwick, etc.  | -             | -              | -          | 3       | -         | -                       | -                                           | -                     | -                 | -          | -              | -                      | -                          | 3       |
| Kirk Smeaton    | -             | 3              | -          | -       | -         | -                       | -                                           | -                     | -                 | -          | -              | -                      | -                          | 3       |
| Little Houghton | 1             | 2              | -          | -       | 1         | -                       | -                                           | -                     | -                 | -          | -              | -                      | -                          | 4       |
| Little Smeaton  | -             | 2              | -          | -       | -         | -                       | -                                           | -                     | -                 | -          | -              | -                      | -                          | 2       |
| Moorthorpe      | 5             | 2              | 1          | 42      | 1         | -                       | 1                                           | -                     | 1                 | 1          | -              | 5                      | -                          | 59      |
| North Elmsall   | 11            | 1              | -          | 46      | 3         | -                       | -                                           | 1                     | 1                 | -          | -              | 5                      | -                          | 68      |
| Ryhill          | 5             | 12             | -          | 9       | 1         | -                       | -                                           | -                     | -                 | -          | -              | 2                      | -                          | 29      |
| Shafton         | 3             | 6              | -          | 7       | 1         | 1                       | -                                           | -                     | 1                 | -          | -              | -                      | -                          | 19      |
| South Elmsall   | 10            | 10             | -          | 43      | 3         | -                       | 1                                           | -                     | -                 | -          | -              | 11                     | 1                          | 79      |
| South Hiendley  | 3             | 1              | -          | 2       | -         | -                       | -                                           | -                     | -                 | -          | -              | 1                      | -                          | 7       |
| South Kirkby    | 16            | 9              | -          | 285     | 1         | -                       | 1                                           | -                     | -                 | -          | -              | 10                     | 1                          | 323     |
| Thorpe Audlin   | -             | 3              | -          | -       | -         | -                       | -                                           | -                     | -                 | -          | -              | -                      | -                          | 3       |
| Upton           | 9             | 1              | -          | 10      | 2         | -                       | -                                           | -                     | -                 | -          | -              | 3                      | -                          | 25      |
| Totals:         | 74            | 96             | 1          | 490     | 20        | 1                       | 5                                           | 1                     | 4                 | 2          | 2              | 56                     | 3                          | 755     |

TABLE IV.

CASES NOTIFIED MONTH, BY MONTH.

| Disease.                                    | January. | February. | March. | April. | May. | June. | July. | August. | September. | October. | November. | December. | Totals: |
|---------------------------------------------|----------|-----------|--------|--------|------|-------|-------|---------|------------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| Scarlet Fever                               | 8        | 4         | 5      | 2      | 1    | 1     | 2     | 4       | 7          | 10       | 17        | 13        | 74      |
| Whooping Cough                              | 17       | 17        | 17     | 13     | 8    | 2     | 2     | 4       | 6          | 2        | 4         | 4         | 96      |
| Diphtheria                                  | -        | -         | -      | -      | -    | -     | -     | -       | 1          | -        | -         | -         | 1       |
| Measles                                     | 17       | 7         | 14     | 10     | 10   | 5     | 8     | 20      | 24         | 124      | 88        | 163       | 490     |
| Pneumonia                                   | 3        | -         | 2      | 4      | 3    | -     | -     | -       | -          | -        | 1         | 7         | 20      |
| Meningococcal Infection                     | -        | -         | -      | -      | 1    | -     | -     | -       | -          | -        | -         | -         | 1       |
| Acute Anterior<br>Poliomyelitis (Paralytic) | -        | -         | -      | -      | -    | 1     | 1     | 1       | 1          | 1        | -         | -         | 5       |
| Ophthalmia Neonatorum                       | -        | 1         | -      | -      | -    | -     | -     | -       | -          | -        | -         | -         | 1       |
| Puerperal Pyrexia                           | -        | -         | -      | 1      | 2    | -     | 1     | -       | -          | -        | -         | -         | 4       |
| Erysipelas                                  | -        | 1         | -      | -      | 1    | -     | -     | -       | -          | -        | -         | -         | 2       |
| Food Poisoning                              | -        | -         | -      | -      | -    | -     | -     | 2       | -          | -        | -         | -         | 2       |
| Pulmonary Tuberculosis                      | 7        | 5         | 4      | 7      | 6    | 4     | 4     | 2       | 5          | 6        | 1         | 5         | 56      |
| Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis                  | -        | -         | -      | -      | -    | -     | 1     | -       | 2          | -        | -         | -         | 3       |
| Totals:                                     | 52       | 35        | 42     | 37     | 32   | 13    | 19    | 33      | 45         | 143      | 112       | 192       | 755     |



TABLE V.

CASES CLASSIFIED INTO AGE GROUPS.

| Diseases.                                   | Under 1 year. | 1 to 2 years. | 2 to 3 years. | 3 to 4 years. | 4 to 5 years. | 5 to 10 years. | 10 to 15 years. | 15 to 20 years. | 20 to 35 years. | 35 to 55 years. | 55 to 65 years. | 65 yrs & over. | Total. |
|---------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|--------|
| Scarlet Fever.                              | -             | 6             | 6             | 10            | 16            | 28             | 6               | 1               | 1               | -               | -               | -              | 74     |
| Whooping Cough                              | 6             | 19            | 16            | 14            | 19            | 19             | 1               | 1               | -               | 1               | -               | -              | 96     |
| Diphtheria                                  | -             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -              | 1               | -               | -               | -               | -               | -              | 1      |
| Measles                                     | 13            | 46            | 70            | 70            | 110           | 178            | 3               | -               | -               | -               | -               | -              | 490    |
| Pneumonia                                   | -             | -             | 1             | 2             | -             | 3              | 2               | -               | 6               | 3               | 1               | 2              | 20     |
| Meningococcal Infection                     | -             | -             | -             | -             | 1             | -              | -               | -               | -               | -               | -               | -              | 1      |
| Acute Anterior<br>Poliomyelitis (Paralytic) | -             | 1             | -             | -             | -             | 1              | -               | -               | 3               | -               | -               | -              | 5      |
| Ophthalmic Neonatorum                       | 1             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -              | -               | -               | -               | -               | -               | -              | 1      |
| Puerperal Pyrexia                           | -             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -              | -               | -               | 4               | -               | -               | -              | 4      |
| Food Poisoning                              | -             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -              | -               | -               | -               | 2               | -               | -              | 2      |
| Erysipelas                                  | -             | -             | -             | -             | -             | -              | 1               | -               | -               | -               | -               | -              | 1      |
| Pulmonary Tuberculosis                      | -             | -             | -             | -             | 1             | 2              | 2               | 1               | 19              | 17              | 9               | 5              | 56     |
| Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis                  | -             | -             | -             | -             | -             | 1              | 1               | -               | -               | -               | 1               | -              | 3      |
| Totals:                                     | 20            | 72            | 93            | 96            | 147           | 232            | 17              | 3               | 33              | 23              | 11              | 8              | 755    |

The case of diphtheria occurred in a boy of 12 years who had recurring discharge from the ears over a period of six months. Bacteriological examination of this discharge revealed the presence of the diphtheria organism, fortunately of the mild type and further investigations proved the absence of the germ from the throat and nose. It is fortunate that no-one else contracted diphtheria from this carrier, and this case is a warning of the importance of maintaining immunity by immunisation against diphtheria.

Of the other diseases, the fall in the number of cases of measles to 490 is mainly responsible for the reduction in the total.

There has been an increase in the number of notifications of pulmonary tuberculosis.



TUBERCULOSIS:

The following table summarises the particulars contained in the Tuberculosis Register:-

TABLE VI.

| No. of Cases<br>in Register.                | Respiratory |     | Non-Respiratory |    | Total |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------|-----|-----------------|----|-------|
|                                             | M           | F   | M               | F  |       |
| At 1st January, 1952.                       | 156         | 101 | 22              | 30 | 309   |
| New cases added to<br>Register during 1952. | 40          | 17  | -               | 3  | 60    |
| Removed during 1952:                        |             |     |                 |    |       |
| (a) Death                                   | 8           | 4   | 1               | -  | 13    |
| (b) Recovered                               | 6           | 3   | 4               | 4  | 17    |
| (c) Removed from<br>District.               | 6           | 4   | -               | 2  | 12    |
| Total at 31st<br>December, 1952.            | 176         | 107 | 17              | 27 | 327   |
|                                             | 283         |     | 44              |    |       |

The number of new cases found and added to the Register increased by 9. There was, however, a reduction in the number of deaths for the year.

## DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

|                                                                        | 0 - 4<br>years. | 5 - 14<br>years. | Total. |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|--------|
| No. of children who completed<br>a full initial course during<br>1952: | 439             | 465              | 904    |
| No. of children who received<br>"booster" injections during<br>1952:   | -               | 532              | 532    |
| Total No. of children now<br>considered protected:                     | 1,991           | 5,271            | 7,262  |

I would like to see more children under 15 years protected by immunisation against diphtheria.

## VACCINATION.

The number of persons vaccinated during 1952 is as follows:-

| Age at date of<br>vaccination: | Under<br>1 year. | 1 - 2 | 2 - 4 | 5 - 14 | 15 and<br>over. | Total |
|--------------------------------|------------------|-------|-------|--------|-----------------|-------|
| Primary Vaccination            | 65               | 12    | 2     | 5      | 9               | 93    |
| Re-vaccination                 | -                | -     | -     | -      | 9               | 9     |

The number of primary vaccinations differs very little from 1951. There were very few re-vaccinations.

## WHOOPING COUGH IMMUNISATION.

In May, 1952, the County Council approved a scheme for free immunisation against Whooping Cough of children up to the age of 4 years, and at the end of the year 47 children had completed a full course in which the approved antigen was used. In addition, General Practitioners are now making increasing use of a combined pertussis-diphtheria prophylactic so that the total number of children protected is, in fact, greater than this figure.

PART THREE.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE.

HEALTH VISITING.

There was a further increase in the number of Health Visitors bringing the total to 8 for the Rural District. This is reflected in the increase in the number of visits to 16,486. The visiting of all children born during the year has again been a major point in the Health Visitors work. The expansion of the Home Help Service is reflected by the increased number of visits under this heading.

|                          | <u>First Visits</u> | <u>Total Visits</u> |
|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| To expectant mothers     | 80                  | 149                 |
| To children under 1 year | 900                 | 5,669               |
| To children 1 - 5 years  | 27                  | 7,016               |
| To Home Help cases       | -                   | 1,307               |
| To Tuberculosis cases    | -                   | 537                 |
| To aged people           | -                   | 767                 |
| To others                | <u>70</u>           | <u>1,041</u>        |
| Total                    | <u>1,077</u>        | <u>16,486</u>       |

CHILD WELFARE CLINICS.

These are held regularly at centres throughout the district with a doctor and Health Visitor in attendance.

Details of attendances are given below:-

| Clinic.        | No. of Sessions<br>per month. | No. of children<br>who attended. | Total<br>attendances. |
|----------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Ackworth       | 2                             | 124                              | 1,040                 |
| Great Houghton | 2                             | 78                               | 651                   |
| Grimethorpe    | 2                             | 237                              | 2,218                 |
| Ryhill         | 4                             | 247                              | 1,655                 |
| Shafton        | 2                             | 48                               | 317                   |
| South Elmsall  | 4                             | 160                              | 1,073                 |
| South Hiendley | 2                             | 102                              | 691                   |
| South Kirkby   | 4                             | 253                              | 1,936                 |
| Upton          | 2                             | 147                              | 879                   |
| Totals         | 24                            | 1,356                            | 10,460                |

I should like to take this opportunity of thanking those voluntary workers who do so much valuable work in the clinics. By giving their time and labour they add to the comfort and value the mothers and children derive from their clinic visit.

An Ultra Violet Ray clinic was held three times per week at Hemsworth and during the year 114 children from the Urban and Rural districts attended for treatment.

#### ANTE-NATAL CLINICS.

These are held throughout the district as shown in the accompanying Table. A doctor and two midwives are in attendance at each.

| Clinic.                           | No. of sessions per month. | No. of women who attended. | Total attendances. |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Ackworth.                         | 2                          | 72                         | 427                |
| Great Houghton.<br>(from 11.6.52) | 2                          | 7                          | 35                 |
| Ryhill.                           | 4                          | 119                        | 411                |
| South Elmsall.                    | 8                          | 193                        | 1,548              |
| South Kirkby.                     | 4                          | 131                        | 883                |
| Totals                            | 20                         | 522                        | 3,304              |

In addition 90 post-natal examinations were made during ante-natal sessions.

#### MIDWIFERY SERVICES.

7 qualified midwives and 2 relief midwives practise in the area.

Total cases attended during the year - 527.

Gas and Air Analgesia was used in 215 cases.

In addition, the drug Pethidine was used alone or in conjunction with Gas and Air, in 298 cases.

#### MATERNITY HOMES AND HOSPITALS.

397 women were confined away from home. The principal hospitals where their confinements took place were - St. Helen's Hospital, Barnsley; South Elmsall Maternity Home; Walton Hall Maternity Home; Wakefield General Hospital; and Manygates Maternity Hospital, Wakefield.

### CARE OF THE PREMATURE INFANT.

63 premature births were notified during the year. Each of the live births was specially investigated and the necessary care and special equipment was given as required.

Details of survival of these prematurely born infants are as follows:-

|               | Total | Still Born | Alive | Died within |         |          | Survived |
|---------------|-------|------------|-------|-------------|---------|----------|----------|
|               |       |            |       | 24 hours.   | 1 week. | 4 weeks. | 4 weeks. |
| Domiciliary   | 21    | 5          | 16    | 1           | 2       | -        | 13       |
| Institutional | 42    | 4          | 38    | 4           | 2       | 1        | 31       |
| Total         | 63    | 9          | 54    | 5           | 4       | 1        | 44       |

### PART FOUR.

### CARE AND AFTER-CARE.

#### HOME NURSING.

7 Home Nurses and 1 relief nurse who operates in both the Urban and Rural districts, with 1 home nurse/midwife, and 2 part-time nurses made a total of 23,702 visits during the year. All nurses work in close co-operation with the General Practitioners.

#### HOME HELPS.

There was yet a further expansion in this service during the year 1952. There has been a considerable increase in the service to aged ill and infirm cases.

The following Table shows the numbers and types of cases helped:-

TABLE VIII.

| Type of Case                      | No. of cases. | Total hours employed. |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| illness                           | 36            | 2,706                 |
| Lying-in                          | 50            | 3,826                 |
| Expectant mothers                 | 10            | 1,012                 |
| Aged ill                          | 34            | 6,331                 |
| Aged infirm                       | 34            | 6,105                 |
| Children under school leaving age | 9             | 928                   |
| Totals                            | 173           | 20,908                |



## MENTAL HEALTH.

The number of patients under supervision and guardianship at 31.12.52 are as follows:-

|                       |   |    |
|-----------------------|---|----|
| Statutory Supervision | - | 94 |
| Voluntary Supervision | - | 9  |
| Guardianship          | - | 3  |

In addition, the Mental Health Social Worker supervised cases on licence and holiday from institutions and furnished background reports at the request of the Superintendents of Mental Hospitals.

## NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948. Section 47.

During the year 2 cases required action by the Council under Section 47 of the National Assistance Act. The first was a male mental defective living in squalid surroundings and suffering from malnutrition. He consistently refused his family doctor's advice to enter Hospital and it was on this account that he was removed under the Act.

The second case was an old lady living alone and a diabetic. She was malnourished and mentally confused and had refused her own doctor's advice to enter Hospital.

## PART FIVE.

### AMBULANCE SERVICE.

7 ambulances operate from the South Kirkby Depot which is administered by the West Riding County Council. There are 20 drivers and 3 telephonists on the staff. During the year 22,804 patients were carried 165,692 miles in 5,217 journeys.

### LABORATORY SERVICES.

The arrangements of previous years still operate satisfactorily.

## PART SIX.

### SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICES.

### CLINICS.

School clinics are held weekly at Upton, Moorthorpe, South Elmsall, South Kirkby, Grimethorpe and Havercroft, and fortnightly at Ackworth. A School Medical Officer is in attendance at Moorthorpe and Havercroft on alternate weeks.



| Clinic.       | No. of children treated. | Total attendances. |
|---------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Haveroroft    | 280                      | 411                |
| Ackworth      | 134                      | 446                |
| Upton         | 269                      | 609                |
| South Elmsall | 163                      | 542                |
| Moorthorpe    | 298                      | 700                |
| Grimethorpe   | 349                      | 580                |
| South Kirkby  | 66                       | 244                |

#### CLEANLINESS INSPECTIONS.

|                                                  |        |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------|
| No. of individual examinations made              | 12,277 |
| No. of children found to be infested with vermin | 492    |

#### SCHOOL MEDICAL INSPECTIONS.

Routine school medical inspections were carried out during the year.

|                            |       |
|----------------------------|-------|
| No. of pupils examined     | 2,253 |
| No. of defects found       | 597   |
| No. referred for treatment | 519   |

#### CHILD GUIDANCE..

There were 11 children from the Rural District who were referred to the County Psychologist during the year.

#### ORTHOPAEDIC CLINICS.

10 Consultant Clinics were held during the year and 51 children from the Rural District attended.

49 Remedial Treatment Clinics with the Orthopaedic Nurse in charge were held during 1952 at which 56 children from the Urban and Rural Districts made 763 attendances.

#### EYE CLINICS.

467 children from the Urban and Rural Districts attended 41 Eye Clinics held at premises throughout the Division. 208 children were prescribed glasses.

#### SPEECH THERAPY CLINIC.

90 sessions were held and 38 children from the Urban and Rural Districts attended for treatment.



RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL OF HEMSWORTH

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SENIOR SANITARY INSPECTOR

for 1952.



Sanitary Inspector's Office,  
Brierley Hall,  
Brierley,  
near Barnsley.

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE RURAL COUNCIL.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting my Annual Report on the Sanitary Administration in the Rural District for the year 1952. As in last year's report, tables have been relegated to the end, and for the same reason.

HOUSING.

There has been no noticeable change in the housing position during the year. The Housing Act of 1949, has not proved successful in inducing owners to improve their property. The Act permits improvements to be made and offers 50% of the cost; the owner can charge the tenant 6% of the owner's cost per annum. Many tenants are agreeable to paying an increased rent for improved conditions such as hot water supply and bathroom. The owner states that in spite of the 50% grant there is little inducement to him, for, if the work were done under the Rent Restrictions Acts, he would be better off as he could charge 8% of the cost per annum. Supposing the improvements cost £200, the owner would pay £100, receive £6 per annum increased rent and accept responsibility for the maintenance of two hundred pounds worth of work in addition to certain other undertakings as to the letting of the house. He says that if he did the work under the Rent Restrictions Acts he would have to put down £200 but he would receive £16 increased rent per annum which is better than £6 for putting down £100, and he would also not have to observe undertakings.

Meanwhile, to the unfortunate tenant, that constant hot water and bathroom or other improvement must remain but a pipe-dream.

During the year notices were served on the owners or agents of 302 properties. In only five cases was recourse to court proceedings necessary.

WATER SUPPLY.

There are 96 dwellinghouses not connected to a public supply system. Many are so situated that the cost of connection cannot be carried out at reasonable cost. The existing legislation fixes the limit of the owner's responsibility at too low a figure to enable much official action in this direction.

Of the 94 bacteriological samples taken, only 6 were unsatisfactory, while 8 were doubtful. All of the samples taken from public supplies reached a satisfactory standard of purity.

SEWERS AND SEWERAGE.

It is unfortunate that economic restrictions continue to make it impossible for the Council to proceed with reconditioning and extending both sewers and sewage works in certain parishes.

#### MEAT INSPECTION.

The arrangement whereby a sanitary inspector from the Urban and Rural Districts of Hemsworth inspect on alternate weeks the meat at the centralised slaughterhouse has worked throughout this year, as in previous years, without a hitch.

During the year 14 tons 3 cwt. of home-killed meat was found to be unfit and condemned.

#### MILK.

Of the 46 samples examined for cleanliness, 6 were unsatisfactory. The appropriate Ministry's official was notified.

49 samples were examined for the presence of the germ causing tuberculosis: five were found to be positive, a ratio that leaves no room for complacency.

The eradication of tuberculosis in dairy herds is the responsibility of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries. This Ministry took over responsibility for administration of the Milk and Dairies Order from the local authorities. The foregoing figures suggest that their specialised knowledge would be better employed in banishing tuberculosis from our herds.

#### ICE CREAM.

69 samples were taken and 5 were found to be unsatisfactory. In each of these latter cases the factory was visited, or, where the factory was situated in another district, the Sanitary Inspector for that district was given a full report.

#### FOOD AND DRUGS.

The primary responsibility for the taking of samples under the Food and Drugs Act rests with the West Riding County Council. While it is not incumbent upon the County to notify the District Councils of the result of their sampling, such a gesture would be much appreciated.

#### SHOPS.

Unsatisfactory conditions were found at two premises. These were improved immediately without statutory action.

It is noted that the habit of licking a thumb or finger before tearing off a paper bag for the reception of foodstuffs, still persists in some shops. The public could render valuable assistance in such cases by mentioning it to the offender, by transferring their business to a more hygienic establishment, or by reporting the matter to the sanitary inspector. A little co-operation in this matter would soon stamp out this revolting habit.

#### SWIMMING BATHS.

There are two swimming baths in the district. Both are visited regularly and steps taken to ensure that the water is maintained at a standard of purity akin to that of drinking water.



## SMOKE ABATEMENT.

This heading could be substituted by the more appropriate one of "Atmospheric Pollution". Two cautions were issued during the year.

It is noted that the nuisance from spoilbanks burning in the district has been reduced to negligible proportions. Before the war it was not considered practicable to abolish these fires but, when war conditions made it imperative, it was done and has continued to be done.

## TENTS, VANS AND SHEDS.

There are 12 such premises in the district. This would have been considerably increased but for the resolute manner in which the Council maintained its high standard of requirements.

## SANITARY ACCOMMODATION.

There are 516 privies and pail closets remaining in the district, the abolition of which is unfortunately prevented by economic considerations. It is hoped that the system of effecting sewage treatment by passing through septic tank and sub-soil irrigation will further decrease the number. This system has been fully investigated in recent years and appears likely to obtain official blessing.

## PUBLIC CLEANSING.

The re-organisation has proved successful. Far fewer complaints have been received and the collection has been more regular than at any time since 1940. Mechanical loading will eventually have to be adopted as the number of men able and willing to do this heavy work is gradually decreasing.

## PUBLIC CONVENIENCES.

The abuse of these places still continues by a minority of the users. It is unbelievable that every one of these acts of vandalism occurs without being witnessed, yet not one witness has come forward.

## PUBLIC SEATS.

The remarks concerning public conveniences apply equally well to public seats. Public seats are a real boon, especially to the older men and the young men when off duty during clement weather. It is at such places that policies are mapped out for the government to follow, the country's enemies vanquished and football finals won. Yet witnesses are never available when these important meeting places are wantonly damaged or even completely destroyed.

## RODENT CONTROL.

During the year the Council decided to treat dwellinghouses free of charge. All the Council's premises likely to offer harbourage for rats were treated systematically.

SALVAGE.

During the year the price of wastepaper fell considerably. As a result all those people who had been selling it privately requested the Council to collect. Although the amount collected was some 60% in excess of that collected the previous year, the value decreased by some 30%.

STAFF.

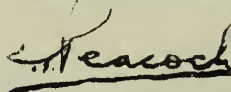
The staff during the year was as follows:-

|                                 |                                                                                                   |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Senior Sanitary Inspector.      | C. T. Peacock, F.S.I.A.                                                                           |
| Additional Sanitary Inspectors. | G. H. Suggitt, M.S.I.A.<br>L. Robinson, M.S.I.A.<br>A. Senior, M.S.I.A.<br>J. H. Cooper, M.S.I.A. |
| Clerks                          | J. Glew. (Senior).<br>H. Hammond,<br>E. Peate.                                                    |

I am grateful to them for the manner in which their duties were carried out during the year.

My thanks are again due to the Medical Officer of Health for his close and friendly co-operation, to the heads of the various departments and their staffs and to the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee for the manner in which they have assisted the work of the department.

I am,  
Ladies and Gentlemen,  
Your obedient Servant,



Senior Sanitary Inspector.

## HOUSING.

|                                                                                                                   |                                          |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| No. of houses inspected during the year under the Public Health or Housing Acts                                   | 537                                      |
| No. of inspections made for this purpose                                                                          | 1,833                                    |
| No. of houses considered to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation | 1,371<br>(Cat. V. Rural Housing Survey). |
| No. of dwellinghouses rendered fit as a result of informal action                                                 | 221                                      |
| No. rendered fit as a result of action under statutory powers                                                     | 116                                      |

## VERMINOUS HOUSES.

|                                             | <u>Council.</u> | <u>Others.</u> |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| No. found to be infested with vermin ... .. | 19              | 17             |
| Number disinfested ... ..                   | 19              | 17             |

## WATER SAMPLES.

|                                    | <u>Satisfactory.</u> | <u>Below Standard.</u> |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Chemical examination ... ..        | 5                    | Nil.                   |
| Bacteriological examination ... .. | 94                   | 14                     |

## MILK SAMPLES.

|                                 |    |   |
|---------------------------------|----|---|
| Methylene Blue test ... ..      | 46 | 6 |
| Presence of Tuberculosis ... .. | 49 | 5 |

## ICE CREAM.

|                                    |    |   |
|------------------------------------|----|---|
| Bacteriological examination ... .. | 69 | 5 |
|------------------------------------|----|---|

## MILK LICENCES (DEALERS).

|                          |     |      |
|--------------------------|-----|------|
| Tuberculin Tested ... .. | ... | 7    |
| Accredited ... ..        | ... | Nil. |

## PETROLEUM.

|                                |     |     |
|--------------------------------|-----|-----|
| No. of licences renewed ... .. | ... | 55. |
| new                            |     |     |
| No. of licences issued ... ..  | ... | 4   |

## SLAUGHTERHOUSES.

|                                                       |     |    |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|
| No. of private slaughterhouses in the district ... .. | ... | 23 |
| No. of licences issued during the year ... ..         | ... | 5  |

SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS ACT, 1933.

|                                                        |     |     |     |    |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|
| No. of slaughtermen's licences renewed during the year | ... | ... | ... | 39 |
| No. of new licences issued                             | ... | ... | ... | 1  |

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED.

|                                                                                            | Cattle<br>excluding<br>Cows. | Cows. | Calves | Sheep<br>and<br>lambs. | Pigs. |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------|--------|------------------------|-------|
| Number killed and inspected                                                                | 888                          | 332   | 17     | 5,103                  | 770   |
| <u>All diseases except T.B.</u>                                                            |                              |       |        |                        |       |
| Whole carcasses condemned,                                                                 | -                            | 2     | 4      | 32                     | 9     |
| Carcasses of which some part<br>or organ was condemned                                     | 380                          | 122   | 1      | 1,562                  | 164   |
| Percentage of the number<br>inspected affected with<br>disease other than<br>tuberculosis. | 42.8%                        | 37.3% | 29.4%  | 31%                    | 22.4% |
| <u>Tuberculosis only.</u>                                                                  |                              |       |        |                        |       |
| Whole carcasses condemned                                                                  | 1                            | 11    | 1      | -                      | 4     |
| Carcasses of which some part<br>or organ was condemned                                     | 120                          | 190   | -      | -                      | 15    |
| Percentage of the number<br>inspected affected with<br>tuberculosis.                       | 13.6%                        | 60.5% | 6%     | -                      | 2.5%  |

|                                                            |     |     |                 |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----------------|
| Total weight of home killed meat condemned at abattoir     | ... | ... | 14 tons. 3 cwt. |
| Total weight of imported meat condemned at abattoir        | ... | ... | 1 cwt. 18 lbs.  |
| Total weight of canned imported meat condemned at abattoir | ... | ... | Nil.            |
| No. of visits to abattoir                                  | ... | ... | 371             |
| Total weight of other foods condemned                      | ... | ... | 21 cwt.         |
| Number of inspections                                      | ... | ... | 109             |

SHOPS ACT, 1934.

|                                        |     |     |     |     |     |    |
|----------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| No. of visits to shops                 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 43 |
| No. of unsatisfactory conditions found | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2  |
| Number remedied                        | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2  |

BAKEHOUSES.

|                                  |     |     |     |     |     |      |
|----------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Number in district               | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 15   |
| Number of inspections            | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 19   |
| Number of bakehouses underground | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | Nil. |

SMOKE ABATEMENT

|                                                        |     |     |     |     |     |      |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|
| No. of smoke observations each of 30 mins. duration    | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 18   |
| No. of above showing excessive emission of black smoke | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2    |
| No. of cautions issued                                 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2    |
| No. of statutory notices issued                        | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | Nil. |

PREMISES AND OCCUPATIONS CONTROLLED BY BYELAWS OR REGULATIONS.

| Regulated Buildings,<br>Trades, etc. | No. in<br>District. | No. on<br>Register. | No. of<br>Inspections. | General<br>Conditions. |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Common Lodging Houses.               | -                   | -                   | -                      | -                      |
| Houses Let in Lodgings.              | -                   | -                   | -                      | -                      |
| Tents, Vans and Sheds.               | 12                  | 12                  | 129                    | Satisfactory           |
| Knacker's Yards.                     | 1                   | 1                   | 12                     | Satisfactory           |



FACTORIES ACT, 1937. (Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by sanitary inspectors)).

| Premises.                                                                                                    | No. on Register. | Inspections. | No. of written notices. | Occupiers Prosecuted. |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|--------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| (i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.                    | 11               | 26           | -                       | -                     |
| (ii) Factories not included in (i) in which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.                    | 78               | 38           | -                       | -                     |
| (iii) Other premises in which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises). | -                | -            | -                       | -                     |
| Total                                                                                                        | 89               | 64           | -                       | -                     |

CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND.

| Particulars                     | Found. | Remedied. | Referred           |                    | Prosecution. |
|---------------------------------|--------|-----------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------|
|                                 |        |           | to H.M. Inspector. | by H.M. Inspector. |              |
| Want of cleanliness.            | -      | -         | -                  | -                  | -            |
| Overcrowding.                   | -      | -         | -                  | -                  | -            |
| Unreasonable temperature.       | -      | -         | -                  | -                  | -            |
| Inadequate ventilation.         | -      | -         | -                  | -                  | -            |
| Ineffective drainage of floors. | -      | -         | -                  | -                  | -            |
| Sanitary Conveniences -         |        |           |                    |                    |              |
| (a) insufficient                | 1      | 1         | -                  | 1                  | -            |
| (b) unsuitable or defective     | -      | -         | -                  | -                  | -            |
| (c) not separate for sexes      | -      | -         | -                  | -                  | -            |
| Other offences.                 | -      | -         | -                  | -                  | -            |
| Total                           | 1      | 1         | -                  | 1                  | -            |



### NUISANCES.

|                                |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|--------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Number found during 1952       | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 472 |
| Number in hand 1951            | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 284 |
| Total requiring abatement      | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 756 |
| Abated during the year         | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 466 |
| Outstanding at the end of 1952 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 290 |

### NOTICES.

|                                                        |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| No. of informal notices served during 1952             | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 302 |
| Number complied with (including 84 from previous year) |     |     |     |     |     | 221 |
| No. of statutory notices served                        | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 120 |
| Number complied with (including 28 from previous year) | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 116 |
| Total number of legal proceedings taken                | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 5   |

### CLOSET ACCOMMODATION.

|                                                        |     |     |     |     |     |        |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------|
| Number of privies with open middens at the end of 1952 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 32     |
| No. of pail or tub closets                             | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 301    |
| No. of privies with covered middens                    | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 183    |
| No. of water closets added during the year             | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 320    |
| Total No. of water closets                             | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 13,183 |
| No. of other types of closets constructed during year  | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | Nil.   |
| Percentage of closets on water carriage system         | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 96.2   |

### PUBLIC CLEANSING.

|                                     |     |     |     |     |     |        |
|-------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------|
| No. of premises with dustbins       | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 12,776 |
| Mileage covered                     | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 66,168 |
| Cost of Public Cleansing - £25,254. |     |     |     |     |     |        |

### CESSPOOL EMPTYING.

|                  |     |     |     |     |     |        |
|------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------|
| No. of cesspools | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 126    |
| Mileage covered  | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 16,014 |

### VISITS AND INSPECTIONS.

|                          |     |     |     |     |     |       |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| Housing                  | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 626   |
| Nuisances and complaints | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1,705 |
| Drains and sewers        | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 977   |
| Sanitary conveniences    | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 391   |

VISITS AND INSPECTIONS. (continued).

|                                                  |      |      |      |      |     |     |       |
|--------------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-------|
| Infectious diseases                              | ...  | ...  | ...  | ...  | ... | ... | 182   |
| Ponds, ditches, etc.                             | ...  | ...  | ...  | ...  | ... | ... | 26    |
| Changes in tenancy (Council houses)              | ...  | ...  | ...  | ...  | ... | ... | 427   |
| Applications to take in lodgers (Council houses) | ...  | ...  | ...  | ...  | ... | ... | 133   |
| Wet or fried fish shops                          | ...  | ...  | ...  | ...  | ... | ... | 20    |
| Bakehouses                                       | ...  | ...  | ...  | ...  | ... | ... | 9     |
| Ice cream premises                               | ...  | ...  | ...  | ...  | ... | ... | 53    |
| Food preparing premises                          | ...  | ...  | ...  | ...  | ... | ... | 78    |
| Butchers shops                                   | .... | ...  | ...  | ...  | ... | ... | 72    |
| Food inspection                                  | ...  | ...  | ...  | ...  | ... | ... | 109   |
| Slaughterhouses.                                 | ...  | ...  | ...  | ...  | ... | ... | 22    |
| Abattoir.                                        | ...  | ...  | ...  | ...  | ... | ... | 371   |
| Food Poisoning                                   | ...  | ...  | ...  | ...  | ... | ... | 1     |
| Shops Act                                        | ...  | ...  | .... | ...  | ... | ... | 43    |
| Milk and Dairies Regulations                     | ...  | ...  | ...  | ...  | ... | ... | 7     |
| Factories Act                                    | ...  | ...  | ...  | ...  | ... | ... | 64    |
| Spoilbanks                                       | ...  | .... | ...  | ...  | ... | ... | 28    |
| Petroleum Acts                                   | ...  | ...  | ...  | ...  | ... | ... | 20    |
| Schools                                          | ...  | ...  | ...  | .... | ... | ... | 3     |
| Re-visits (preliminary and statutory notices).   | ...  | ...  | ...  | ...  | ... | ... | 1,833 |
| Market                                           | ...  | ...  | ...  | ...  | ... | ... | 168   |
| Rodent Control                                   | ...  | ...  | ...  | ...  | ... | ... | 1,576 |
| Miscellaneous (interviews, etc.)                 | ...  | ...  | ...  | ...  | ... | ... | 755   |

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